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## DOMESTIC SECTION 214 APPLICATION FILED FOR THE TRANSFER OF CONTROL OF TIGER TELEPHONE, INC. AND NEW FLORENCE TELEPHONE COMPANY FROM EXISTING TO FUTURE SHAREHOLDERS

### STREAMLINED PLEADING CYCLE ESTABLISHED

WC Docket No. 07-37

**Comments Due:** March 16, 2007  
**Reply Comments Due:** March 23, 2007

The following application was filed pursuant to section 63.03 of the Commission's rules requesting authority to transfer control of the domestic section 214 authorization held by Tiger Telephone, Inc. ("Tiger") and its wholly owned operating subsidiary, New Florence Telephone Company ("New Florence") from Robert D. Williams, LEC, LLC, and Rebecca Malcolm to Robert D. Williams, and then subsequently to Leonard May, Garrin Bott, Kip Wilson, Jeremy Smith, Scott Hendrickson, and Elizabeth Dunn (the "Transferees"), all of whom are U.S. citizens.<sup>1</sup> New Florence, a Missouri corporation which is owned by Tiger, also a Missouri corporation, is the incumbent local exchange carrier (LEC) for the New Florence, Missouri exchange. The Transferees own or control the following incumbent LECs: Direct Communications Rockland, Inc., an incumbent LEC in Idaho; Direct Communications Cedar Valley, LLC, an incumbent LEC in Utah; Oregon Telephone Corporation, an incumbent LEC in eastern Oregon; North-State Telephone Company, an incumbent LEC in north central Oregon; and Beaver Creek Telephone Company d/b/a Timberline Telecom, an incumbent LEC in western Washington. The Applicants assert that the proposed transaction is entitled to presumptive streamlined treatment under section 63.03(b)(2)(iii) of the Commission's rules<sup>2</sup> and that a grant of the application will **serve** the public interest, convenience, and necessity.

<sup>1</sup> 47 C.F.R. § 63.03; *see* 47 U.S.C. § 214. LEC, LLC is a Maryland limited liability company. Applicants filed a supplement to their application on March 1, 2007.

<sup>2</sup> 47 C.F.R. § 63.03(b)(2)(iii)

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

The transfer of control identified herein has been found, upon initial review, to be acceptable for filing as a streamlined application. The Commission reserves the right to return any transfer of control application if, upon further examination, it is determined to be defective and not in conformance with the Commission's rules and policies. Pursuant to sections 1.415 and 1.419 of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR §§ 1.415, 1.419, interested parties may file **comments on or before March 16,2007 and reply comments on or before March 23,2007.'** Unless otherwise notified by the Commission, Applicants are permitted to transfer the assets and related control on the 31<sup>st</sup> day after the date of this notice.<sup>4</sup> Comments may be filed using: (1) the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS), (2) the Federal Government's eRulemaking Portal, or (3) by filing paper copies. **See *Electronic Filing of Documents in Rulemaking Proceedings*, 63 FR 24121 (1998).**

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<sup>3</sup> See 47 C.F.R. § 63.03(a)

<sup>4</sup> **Such** authorization is conditioned upon receipt of any other necessary approvals from the Commission in connection with **the** proposed transaction.

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- (3) Gail Cohen, Competition Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau, 445 12th Street, S.W., Room 5-C111, Washington, D.C. 20554; e-mail: [gail.cohen@fcc.gov](mailto:gail.cohen@fcc.gov);
- (4) Susan O'Connell, Policy Division, International Bureau, 445 12th Street, S.W., Room 7-B544, Washington, D.C. 20554; email: [susan.o'connell@fcc.gov](mailto:susan.o'connell@fcc.gov); and
- (5) James Bird, Office of General Counsel, 445 12th Street, S.W., Room 8-C824, Washington, D.C. 20554; e-mail: [jim.bird@fcc.gov](mailto:jim.bird@fcc.gov).

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